Attachment of property wider the Direct Taxation Act

. 813. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH. Will the Minister *a£* FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal to extend the scheme' of attaching property under. Direct Taxation Act ,to major cities in the country as reported in 'Vyapar', of Bombay; if so, what are the details thereof; '

(b) whether appropriate authorities . will be" set up separately in each city land whether a separate fund has been created by Government and allocated to Central Board of Direct Taxes *tot* this purpose; and

(c) whether there is a provision for appeal to High Courts against the decision of appropriate authorities; if so, whether such appeals are pending in various cities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. Further extension of the pro-> vision of Chapter XXC of the Income-tax Act is under consideration of the Government.

(b) The question whether appropriate authority will be set up separately in each- city (to which .the provisions may be extended) is under the consideration of the Government.

There is no separate fund ;asi such; however, the expenditure on acquisition, of immovable properties under Chapter XXC *pt* the Income-tax Act , lias been provided under Demand No. 35, Direct Taxes for 1988-89. .

-(c) No, Sir. However,. ^somt writ petitions have been filed d 4he various HJgh Courts by the affected parties

Increase in flie incidents of rape .in .

14. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be, pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in more than half of the registered cases of rape in Delhi during the last three years the victims were minors;

(b) Whether the police *has under-,taken a'study to find out the causes and the steps to prevent -such criniesr and

(c) what is the reason, for the increase in rape incidents in Delhi and whether prosecutions are launched against the offenders' expeditiously and if so, with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND - PENSIONS AND TliE MINISTER Op STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No silch study has been under taken by the Delhi Police. To preventsuch crime's, the relevant laws have been made more stringent and police vigilance has been increased.

(c) Prosecution are launched expedi tiously. In the case of 1985, 10 persons have been convicted and in cases of .1986, 2 persons have been convicted.

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. Redesigning . and Restructuring of Central Excise . and Customs • Department

816. DR. ^RATNAKAR PANDEY: SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: .

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether mere is a proposal under Government's consideration regarding redesigning and restructuring of the Central Excise and Customs Department; and